ORDINANCE NO. 20070111-012

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 4-2-1 AND 4-2-21 OF THE CITY CODE RELATING TO ALARM SYSTEMS.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

- **PART 1.** Section 4-2-1 (*Definitions*) of the City Code is amended to add the following definitions and renumber the remaining definitions accordingly:
 - (5) BURGLAR ALARM means a device or system that transmits a signal intended to summon police in response to a burglary.
 - (9) PERSONAL EMERGENCY RESPONSE SYSTEM (PANIC BUTTON) ALARM means an alarm system that is installed at the residence of a person, monitored by an alarm systems company, and designed only to permit the person to signal the occurrence of a medical or personal emergency so that the company may dispatch appropriate aid; it is not part of a burglar alarm system or fire alarm system.
- **PART 2.** Section 4-2-21 (*False Alarm Notification*) of the City Code is amended to amend Subsections (A) and (B) to read:
 - (A) If an alarm system transmits more than <u>three</u> [six] false <u>burglar</u> [burglary] alarm notifications within a 12-month period, the permittee shall pay a service fee for the <u>fourth</u> [seventh] and each subsequent false <u>burglar</u> [burglary] alarm notification.
 - (1) The service fee for more than three but fewer than six false burglar alarms within the preceding 12-month period is \$50.
 - (2) The service fee for more than five but fewer than eight false burglar alarms within the preceding 12-month period is \$75.
 - (3) The service fee for eight or more false burglar alarms within the preceding 12-month period is \$100.
 - (B) If an alarm system transmits more than [that] two false personal emergency response system (panic button) [robbery] alarm notifications [notification] within a 12-month period, the permittee shall pay a service fee of \$100 for the third and each subsequent false personal emergency response system (panic button) [robbery] alarm notification.

PART 3. This ordinance takes effect on January 22, 2007.	
PASSED AND APPROVED	
	§ Will Wynn Mayor
APPROVED: David Allan Smith City Attorney	ATTEST: July Shirley A. Gentry City Clerk